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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

3800 Christy Cove

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to an alarm of fire at 3800 Christy Cove, Thursday, April 1, 2021 at 2:02 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy fire visible from the one-story, wood-frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Fifteen (15) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-two (32) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief A. Alford was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 2:22 a.m. *One firefighter was transported in non-critical condition to Baptist East Hospital with a knee injury.* There were no civilian injuries. Red Cross provided assistance for two adults and three children.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. The structure and two vehicles sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$10,000.00 structure and \$5,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be intentionally set in multiple locations. This fire is still under investigation. *Anyone with information regarding this incident or any arson related crimes are asked to call Crime Stoppers at 528-CASH (2274) or the State Arson Hotline at 1-800-762-3017. You could be eligible to receive a cash reward from Crime Stoppers of Memphis and Shelby County, Inc.*

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** by calling the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or on-line at: <https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/>. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For **NON-EMERGENCY FIRE & EMS** issues dial (901) 458-8281.

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